Country Scotland

Type Single malt

Distillery Springbank

Region Campbeltown

Age 10 years

ABV 46%

Cask Bourbon and sherry

Colour Golden honey, Sunlight

Bottle volume 0.71

Price €/cl 0.57

Place of purchase Willi's getraenk center, Alfter



Big-bodied with oaked aridity. The peat is present and quite pungent with an earthen rootiness. Notes of exotic fruits and a hint of salinity. sweet. Hand made rope and rusty nails. Hay as well. A really huge smack in the face of pungent honey glazed orangey peat. Massive amounts of citrus going on here. The nose on this is huge. Like a plum of oranges and tangerines coming at me. The peat in the back is literally fighting to stay alive, and somehow it does, yet very faintly. This is quite fruity and now I'm getting a hint of smoke. Extremely timid. Dropping in some water brings out a little more wood and tames the citrus.

Palate

Full-bodied with a good helping of cereal sweetness. There is a richness to the peat, with a dark nuttiness and whirling smoke. Grassy. Caramel, smoke, small but discernible peat, heather, and rich fruit notes from a moderate sherry influence. It actually starts like a cotton candy but it instantly changed to charred oak and oily.

Syrupy, oaky, woody, oily, spicy, sweet, salty, thick, WOW! Explosive and rich in nature. This is chewy scotch. A very, very faint hint of smoke, but not enough to really talk about. The prominent flavours here are a fruity, yet full-bodied salty-sweetness (perhaps sherry in this case) that bounces off the wood and light honey glazed peat that's extremely enjoyable.

Finish

Long and crisp with a coastal tang and a trailing peat with oaked dryness. Leaves behind ham juice and the mouthfeel is big and sticks around for a long time

A nice peppery and peaty roll off, with hints of honey, salt and..... I'm gonna have another pour thank you very much. The finish on this one lasts awhile and the sweet-oak-wood note lurks around for quite some time.

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